# ≈ NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST «

Order of Worship • September 29, 2024 • 9:00 am

**→** *Indicates the congregation should stand as able.* 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME

### + GATHERING HYM

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE,
GOD ONLY WISE
LBW #526

### + INVOCATION

WL: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

#### + CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WL: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

All: Amen.

WL: Trusting in God's compassion, let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence for reflection

WL: Gracious God,

All: you have called us to be a new community in Christ, and yet we often remain divided. Forgive our fear, anxiety, prejudice, and misunderstandings. Strengthen our common bonds and deepen our resolve to promote the unity of Your creation. Help us be one family of believers who proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ through our daily living. Amen.

WL: Beloved children of God, God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. Go now in faith to live as servants and boldly share the love of Christ with all.

All: Amen.

### + HYMN OF PRAISE

together with THIS IS THE FEAST

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain
Whose blood set us free to be people of God
Power and riches, wisdom and strength
Honor and blessing and glory are his

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cantor: Sing with all the people of God
And join in the hymn of all creation
Blessing and honor, glory and might
Be to God and the Lamb, forever! Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### ♣ PRAYER OF THE DAY

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WL: Let us pray. Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come

to peace with you. Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

### FIRST LESSON

NUMBERS 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

R: Our first lesson on this Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost is from the eleventh chapter of Numbers.

The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!"

Moses heard the people of every family wailing at the entrance to their tents. The Lord became exceedingly angry, and Moses was troubled. He asked the Lord, "Why have you brought this trouble on your servant? What have I done to displease you that you put the burden of all these people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? Why do you tell me to carry them in my arms, as a nurse carries an infant, to the land you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where can I get meat for all these people? They keep wailing to me, 'Give us meat to eat!' I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me—if I have found favor in your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin."

The Lord said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the tent of meeting, that they may stand there with you.

So Moses went out and told the people what the Lord had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!"

But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!"

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

R: The Second lesson is from the fifth chapter of James.

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

+ VERSE

ALLELUIA, LORD TO WHOM SHALL WE GO? LBW SETTING 1, PAGE 62



### + HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 9:38-50

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

"Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."

"Do not stop him," Jesus said. "For no one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, for whoever is not against us is for us. Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward.

"If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them if a large millstone were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, where

"the worms that eat them do not die, and the fire is not quenched."

Everyone will be salted with fire.

"Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt among yourselves, and be at peace with each other."

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TODAY'S MESSAGE

→ MESSAGE HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised LBW 503, Stanzas 1, 2 & 3

#### + PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

WL: Let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

GATHERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

#### OFFERING MUSIC

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

## + PREFACE

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WL: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

WL: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### + THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

#### ♣ THE LORD'S PRAYER

WL: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name;

thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

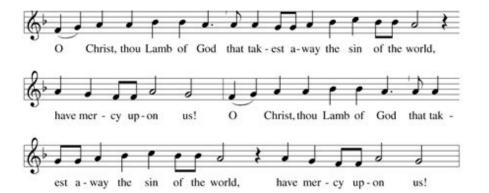
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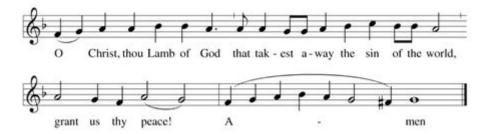
WL: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: Amen.



O CHRIST, THOU LAMB OF GOD LBW #103





#### DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### COMMUNION HYMN

BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN

On this day celebrating Hispanic Heritage, we sing the refrain in both Spanish and English.

#### REFRAIN

Pan de vida eterna, nos das tu cuerpo y sangre. We eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again.

- Break now the bread of Christ's sacrifice; giving thanks, hungry ones, gather round. Eat, all of you, and be satisfied; in Christ's presence the loaves will abound. REFRAIN
- 2 Seek not the food that will pass away; set your hearts on the food that endures. Come, learn the true and the living way, that the fullness of life may be yours. REFRAIN
- 3 Love as the one who, in love for you, gave himself for the life of the world.

  Come to the one who is food for you, that your hunger and thirst be no more. REFRAIN
- 4 Dwell in the one who now dwells in you; make your home in the lifegiving Word. Know only Christ, Holy One of God, and believe in the truth you have heard. REFRAIN
- 5 Drink of this cup and declare his death; eat this bread and believe Easter morn; trust his return and, with ev'ry breath, praise the one in whom you are reborn. REFRAIN

#### + THE DISMISSAL

WL: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

All: Amen.

#### + CLOSING PRAYER

WL: Let us pray. Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

### + BLESSING

WL: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

All: Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN

O Jesus, I Have Promised LBW #503, Stanza 4

### + SENDING

WL: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

# TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY

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#### **BREAD OF LIFE FROM HEAVEN**

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